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ISAAC A. VERPLANCK, 1831, of Coeymans, N.Y., was a member of the Philomathean Society.
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At the time of his death in 1873, he was the Chief Judge of the Superior Court of Buffalo, having been a Judge of that court from its organization in the year 1854. He graduated at Union College in 1831, and settled in Batavia in the practice of the law and acquired prominence at the bar before his removal to Buffalo in 1847. At once he took a leading position and carried on a successful business until elected to the bench of the Superior Court. Throughout his judicial life, Judge Verplanck was distinguished as being one of the most enlightened and sagacious Judges who ever presided in nisi prius courts. It was there, in the trial of causes, that he manifested the greatest learning and comprehension of the general, well-established principles of law and equity; quick to apply the law to the facts, with intuitively correct perceptions, favoring no one and submitting the whole case fairly and justly to the jury. He was a man of great and comprehensive intellectual powers, naturally a logician, and pre-eminently fitted to occupy a judicial station. In 1838 he was appointed District Attorney of Genessee County, and re-appointed in 1846. In the Constitutional Convention of 1867, as a delegate from Erie Co., he exerted a great and conservative influence, not alone out of natural respect for his ability and conceded integrity, but by reason of those distinguishing amiable and genial traits of character, ever overflowing, which made him always, in whatever circle, a beloved leader of men.

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